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After receiving his Ph.D. from the Johns Hopkins University in physical oceanography, Dr Wilson has worked in various capacities managing oceanographic programs. At the Office of Naval Research, he has managed the Navy's basic research program in physical oceanography. At NASA Headquarters, he established the Oceanography from Space program – TOPEX/Poseidon, NSCAT on ADEOS, and SeaWiFS. At NOAA, he has served in various capacities including Deputy Chief Scientist when he helped organize the 20-country coalition in support of the International Argo Program; he is currently Senior Scientist for the Satellite and Information Service where he is working to transition NASA ocean research capabilities into NOAA operational satellites—Jason-3 and a QuikSCAT follow-on. He is also serving on behalf of the Committee on Earth Observation Satellites as co-chair of two CEOS Constellations—Ocean Surface Topography and Surface Vector Winds. He has received a number of awards: U.S. Navy Superior Civilian Service Award (1979); NASA Exceptional Scientific Achievement Medal (1981); American Geophysical Union Ocean Sciences Award (1984); Compass Distinguished Achievement Award (1989); Remote Sensing Society Award (1992); French Space Agency Medal (1994); Portuguese Naval Cross (1997); Australian Antarctic Division Medal (1998); and two NASA Group Achievement Awards (2000, 2008).